the employees working in such dangerous buildings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) After the building of Khyber Pass Mess was declared dangerous, some offices of the Development Department, National Capital Territory of Delhi, have been shifted from the building.

(b) As reported by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, pending location of suitable office accommodation necessary repair works are being carried out to the building as and when necessary.

Appointment of Assistant Works Surveyors in CPWD

4606. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Assistant Works Surveyors were appointed in the executive divisions under CPWD during the year, 1987;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such appointments are not in accordance with their qualifications; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in affirmative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) There is no post of Assistant Works surveyors in the Central P.W.D. However, Assistant Engineers posted in the planning unit of the CPWD are designated as Assistant Surveyor of Works. As a result of cadre review of Junior Engineers (Civil & Electrical) in 1987 some additional posts of Assistant Engineers/ Assistant Surveyor of Works were also provided in the various field units.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. No additional qualification is required for posting of Assistant Engineers in planning Unit as Assistant Surveyor of Works. Assistant Engineers are rotated between the field unit and the Planing Unit in their turn.

Water problems in J. Block, Mandir Marg, New Delhi

4607. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the residents of J-Block, Mandir Marg, New Delhi are facing the chronic and acute problem of water shortage for over the last so many years;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps have been taken by CPWD to restore normal water supply to the residents of J-Block;

(c) whether it is also a fact that CPWD propose to install separate water tanks at each of the quarter and if so, what is the capacity of the water tanks;

(d) if so, whether sanction has been obtained to install water tanks; and

(e) if the answer to parts (d) and (e) above be in the affirmaive, by when water tanks would be installed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) It is correct that there is a shortage of water in J-Block Mandir Marg, New Delhi due to shortage in the bulk supply received from the NDMC. The distribution system gets affected due to less bulk supply from NDMC and due to frequent power failures. The CPWD have augmented supply with the yield from one tubewell. It is also proposed to increase the storage capacity by constructing one additional underground sump and

overhead tank with a view to improving the distribution system.

(c) Yes Sir. The CPWD propose to instal a separate water tank of 270 litres capacity for each quarter.

(d) The estimate is being processed for obtaining approval of the competent authoirty.

(e) It will take about six months to install the water tanks after receipt of the sanction.

Installation of wash basin in Sector-II Mandir Marg, New Delhi

4608. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CPWD Enquiry Office, Sector-II, Mandir Marg, New Delhi have any proposal to fix wash-basin, mirror, shink and covering of balcony side of the Government quarters in J-Block, Mandir Marg, New Delhi;

(b) if so, what is the number of applications received so far and how many persons deposited 10 per cent of the cost thereof to the CPWD authorities and what are the reasons for delay in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that CPWD authorities are inviting any fresh application regarding fixing of wash-basin, mirror, shink and covering of balcony side; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard and by when the said work will start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) On receipt of specific request from the allottees, CPWD provides additional amenities like wash-basin, mirror etc. in accordance with Government instructions, on payment of 10 per cent of the cost by the allottee, subject to availability of funds. This procedure is being followed in Enquiry Office at Mandir Marg also. However, the covering of balcony is not covered under these instructions.

(b) Number of applications received for fixing of wash-basin, Mirror, Sink and covering of balcony till date is 102. Number of persons who deposited 10 per cent of the cost is 52. The work is being taken up without any delay on receipt of 10 per cent of cost and after obtaining sanction of the competent authority.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. No applications are invited by CPWD Residents have to apply for the same, as explained in reply to (a) above.

Substandard material used in J-Block, Mandir Marg, New Delhi

4609. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the year in which construction work in respect of quarters at J-Block, Mandir Marg was completed;

(b) whether Government have received any complaint with regard to substandard material used in the construction of these quarters and if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in negative, whether Government propose to conduct an inquiry in the matter;

(d) whether it is also a fact that these quarters are in a very dilapidated condition and any accident may take place anytime and if so, whether any action has been taken against the contractor and Executive Engineers concerned; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government propose to get these quarters repaired immediately in order to avoid any unpleasant incident